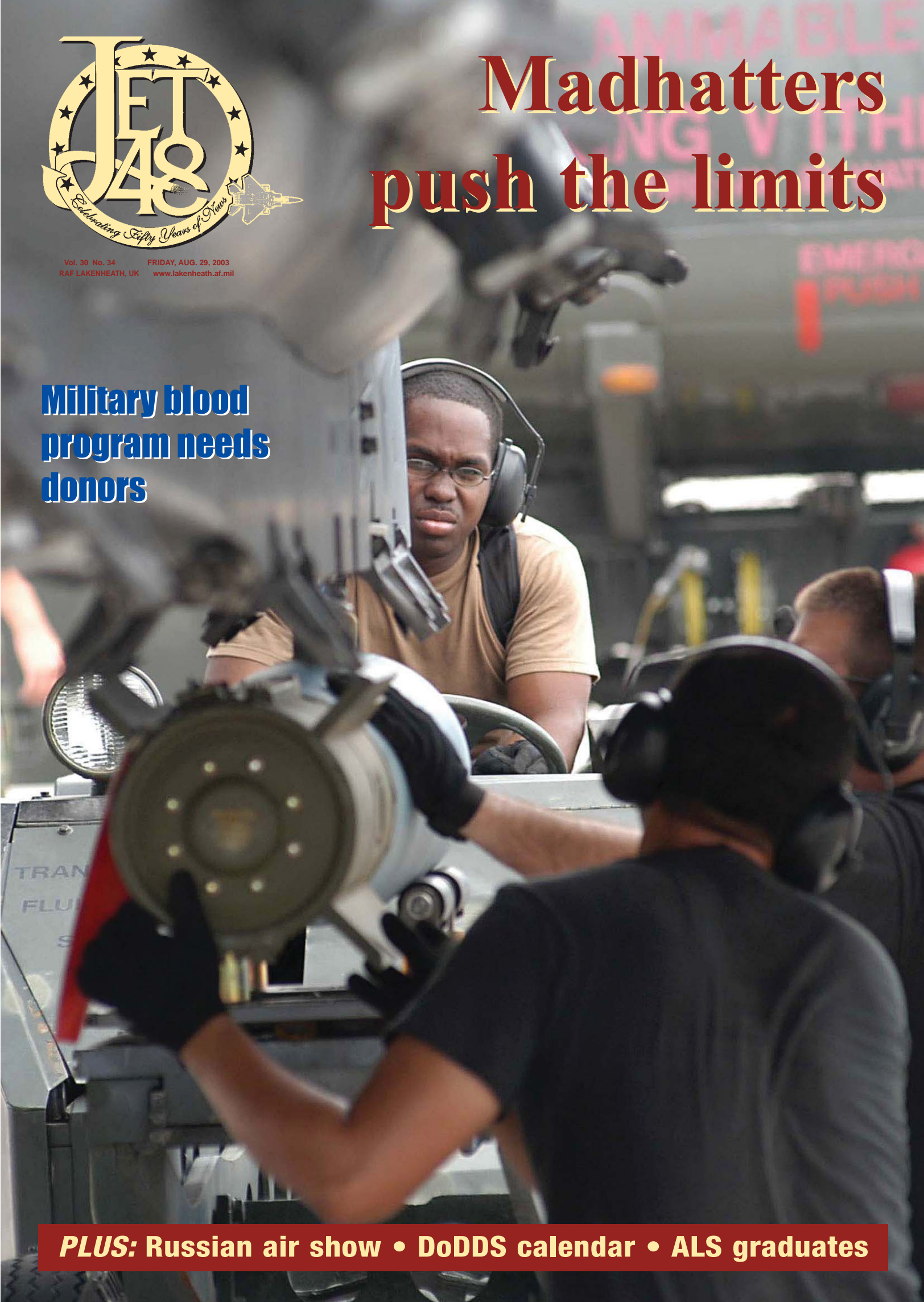




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Airman 1st Class Jarreau Easterling, 492nd Aircraft Maintenance Unit weapons system specialist, is assisted by teammates as he loads a BDU-50 bomb on an F-15E during Red Flag exercises, Nellis Air Force Base, Nev. For story, see Pages 12 and 13.

Photo by Tech. Sgt. Claudette Hutchinson



## Force protection is essential

BY GEN. LANCE LORD

AIR FORCE SPACE COMMAND COMMANDER

PETERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. (AFPN) — Attacks on our homeland on Sept. 11, 2001, brought home to Americans that the United States is not an island free from attack. Terrorism can be brought home in a very big way. As service members, we know the risks around the world. Khobar Towers and the USS Cole will forever be burned in our memories.

We must continue to take aggressive steps to protect our people and their family members, operations and facilities around the globe.

The force protection mission is accomplished through the integrated application of counter/anti-terrorism, operations security, physical security, personal protective services and information security, supported by superior intelligence and counterintelligence programs.

It is designed to protect Air Force people, information, facilities, property and equipment to enable air and space capabilities, maintain good order and discipline, and sustain quality of life.

Force protection is achieved using our Total Force security forces team — active duty, Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve — working side-by-side to protect our people and resources. But all members of the chain of command — specifically, you — are responsible for force protection.

“Every person is a sensor,” and we need you to report any and all suspicious activity to the proper authorities.

Challenge unknown personnel in your work areas and look at their badges. Protect unauthorized access to your computer. Close safes and properly dispose of printed information, and ensure your areas are secure at the end of your shift or duty day.

There are times when force protection will cause delays and frustration. Your patience and understanding is appreciated as we continue to balance protection with mission accomplishment.

With your help and continued diligence, we will remain the best air and space force on the planet. Our people and our mission will be safe and secure — there is no higher priority.

Remember, we are all part of the force protection team.

### Uniform tip of the week

Wear of Chaplain insignia and Air Force Aeronautical badges is mandatory. Wear of Aeronautical badges of other U.S. services and Air Force occupational badges is optional.

A maximum of four earned badges may be worn on all blue service uniforms. A maximum of two badges are worn on the left side of uniform above ribbons or pocket if ribbons are not worn. Wear only aeronautical, occupational, and miscellaneous badges in this location.

Aeronautical badges are worn above occupational and miscellaneous badges. When more than one aeronautical badge is worn, the second badge becomes optional.

Men may attach duty badges to service uniforms with a clear plastic tab holder not visible beyond sides or bottom of insignia.

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48th Fighter Wing commander

I'm writing in the hope that you can help in a housing matter that has been going on for well over a year now. In Feb 2002, I moved into RAF Mildenhall military family housing. Upon moving in, I was told about the do's and don'ts and what I got when moving into my Military Family Housing unit. One of those items included base cable via Cablecom. It also included one AFN channel and the commander's channel to keep the MFH members informed to what was going on around base. (I.e. FPCON levels, weather, delays etc.)

All was well for about 40 days when the cable went out. A call was placed to

**Cablecom to check into the problem. Cablecom determined that the cable had been cut in many places in the area of the recent remodeling project on Dakota Road. Cablecom then stated it was an Air Force/contractor problem and that the housing office and the contracting quality assurance folks would handle it.**

**I was told by Cablecom that the housing office has to handle and pay for it and until they did, I was “out of luck” to put it nicely.**

**On top of that, Cablecom then informed me that on 1 Jan 2003, their contract had expired with the AF and that they were now on a “temp” extension until the AF found another company to take over and they wouldn't repair the problem even if a contract were made.**

**Is there a plan in place for when Cablecom closes its doors to keep the cable service running under a new company or the communication squadron to prevent a drop in both base-wide cable service and family morale? Are there plans to implement a plan being discussed around the German bases where AFN decoder and dishes are paid for by the Air Force for all families living in MFH units? And finally, and most important, can the**

**problem on Dakota Road be fixed as soon as possible?**

Thank you for your inquiry. I agree that your experience has been frustrating, and I am sorry we have been unable to resolve it up to this point. First, I'll address your house specifically: A representative from Cablecom was out to look at the damage in your area earlier this week. They looked at what needed to be done to get service to the residences and are working on getting you connected.

The current Cablecom agreement has been extended until Sept. 30. The 48th Contracting Squadron is also working a new agreement with Cablecom which will allow the Air Force to partner with them and British Telecom to provide a Commander's Access Channel, all available AFRTS radio and TV channels, commercial CATV packages and broadband internet services. This is in conjunction with a program 3rd Air Force has in place to bring service to all base housing areas and dormitories through the Command Information Dissemination System. CIDS is funded and just entered its startup phase. We are working hard to bring a quality service online for our Air Force community throughout the UK. Look for a formal press release in the near future as the required agreements are finalized.

Finally, there is also a program in place to provide AFN dishes and decoders to MFH residents free of charge starting October of this year.

ACTION LINE

## FROM THE FRONT ...



Courtesy photos

(Above) U.S. Central Command Commander Gen. John Abizaid paid a visit to Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar, Aug. 16. During the visit he spent time learning about the F-15E Strike Eagle and thanked maintainers deployed from the 48th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, 494th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, for their hard work in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The 494th is currently deployed from RAF Lakenheath for Air Expeditionary Force Blue and is providing 24-7 airpower in support of CENTCOM objectives. From left, 1st Lt. Chris Rehm, Gen. John Abizaid, Chief Master Sgt. Richard Lander, Airman 1st Class Andrew Gravett, Airman 1st Class Benjamin Picasio and Airman 1st Class Matthew Edwards.

# Military blood program needs donations

BY SENIOR AIRMAN LYNNE NEVEU

48TH FIGHTER WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS



The Armed Services Blood Program needs eligible Type O and Type AB blood donors to support ongoing military operations worldwide and to replenish the military's frozen blood reserves.

"The donors we are looking for are military, family members, retirees and government-service workers at RAF Lakenheath and

RAF Mildenhall who meet eligibility guidelines," said Capt. Christine Murphy, 48th Medical Support Squadron chief of transfusion services. "We encourage anyone interested in donating to call us to see if they are eligible to donate."

Blood donation eligibility within the military, and especially the United Kingdom because of some restrictions, is filled with misconceptions. That is where the blood donor center's "Big book" comes in, said Murphy.

The Air Force Blood Program office works with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Food and Drug Administration to determine personnel eligibility and deferral time to protect the blood supply.

"For example, anyone who has been deployed to certain areas of Saudi Arabia are deferred from donating for one year due to the malaria risk," said Murphy, referring to a page in the big book. "On the other hand, if the person was stationed at Prince Sultan Air Base (Saudi Arabia), there would be no deferral period."

Increased deployments in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom

places more individuals on the deferred list, meaning regular donations from eligible donors is even more critical, blood program officials said.

There are certain factors that make a person ineligible to donate blood, said Murphy. The factors include, but are not limited to, having lived in the United Kingdom for a cumulative period of three

months or more from 1980 to 1996, is HIV-positive, having cancer treated with chemotherapy, using bovine-derived insulin manufactured from cattle in the United Kingdom since 1980, having lived in mainland Europe as Department of Defense personnel for a cumulative period of six months or more from 1980 to 1996, or having traveled or resided in mainland Europe for a

cumulative period of five years from 1980 to present.

For temporary and permanent exclusion factors, contact transfusion services.

One donation is good for 42 days, if not frozen, said Murphy, and "you never know when you or one of your family members will need it."

A single trauma victim may require 40 or more units of blood. Leukemia patients need up to 8 units of platelets daily during treatment, and a premature infant's life can be sustained for two weeks by a single pint of blood, according to Air Force Blood Services.

"The oldest and youngest of us use it (blood)," said Murphy. "Also, we still have injured soldiers coming in who require blood. It makes you feel good about what you are doing."

The next blood drive will be held at RAF Mildenhall. Individuals may donate every eight weeks or 56 days.

For more information, call transfusion services at 226-8437.

**"We encourage anyone interested in donating to call us to see if they are eligible to donate"**

*Capt. Christine Murphy  
48th Medical Support Squadron, chief of  
transfusion services*



# 492nd Madhatters shine at Combat Hammer

STORY AND PHOTO BY  
TECH. SGT. CLAUDETTE HUTCHINSON

48TH FIGHTER WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

HILL AIR FORCE BASE, Utah — F-15E Strike Eagles from the 492nd Fighter Squadron participated in an intense two-week weapon systems evaluation exercise called Combat Hammer here, July 28 to Aug. 15.

The exercise is designed to evaluate aircrews' ability to employ precision-guided munitions in a realistic training environment.

Other Air Force units participated, including F-16s from the 174th Fighter Wing, Syracuse, N.Y.

During the first week of the exercise evaluators from the Weapons System Evaluation Program here conducted evaluations of maintenance procedures, aircrews ability and munitions performance reliability. Data was collected on weapons employment using a camera placed inside an inert weapon, which records every movement of the weapon.

"The WESP evaluation is where we're evaluated on the reliability of the weapons system, to include building them, tactics and employment of the weapons," said Capt. Robin Russell 48th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, 492nd FS Aircraft Maintenance Unit senior maintenance officer.

During this exercise, more than eight types of bombs were employed including AGM-130s, GBU-10s, MK-82s and Joint Direct Attack Munitions. Of the 183 bomb drop attempts, 182 of them made their target, ensuring the squadron a 99.5 percent success rate.

"This is the first Combat Hammer participation where the aircrew dropped JDAMS," said Master Sgt. Arik Brown, 48th AMXS, 492nd FS AMU production supervisor.

Capt. Mike Gette, 492nd FS aircrew, said the exercise provided essential, realistic combat training that he doesn't normally receive at home base.

"Overall, everything went pretty well," said Gette.

This is good news considering the unit returned from an exercise in Norway and had only two weeks to prepare before leaving for Combat Hammer, then on to Red Flag at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev., from Aug. 15 to Saturday.

"We had just enough time to unpack, repack and rebuild our package before we had to be on the road again, (to Hill AFB)," said Russell.

While this feat did not happen without its challenges, Russell said he credited this "Herculean" effort of the support staff, maintainers and aircrews who worked closely together to overcome those challenges.

Participating in these training exercises is essential in providing vital experience, said Senior Master Sgt. Alan Strunk, 48th AMXS, 492nd FS AMU chief of maintenance.

Strunk said, to maximize the opportunity and ensure a successful training experience they literally had to hit the ground running.

"This realistic exercise gave us (weapons troops) a hands-on opportunity to practice what we don't normally get to experience on a regular basis," he explained.

Russell said there are always challenges when moving large numbers of people and equipment around, and credits everyone for mission's success in spite of the challenges.



Capt. Mike Gette, 492nd Fighter Squadron, steps away from his jet following a mission.

## 40 Liberty airmen graduate Mathies ALS

The following Liberty warriors graduated from the Mathies Airman Leadership School, RAF Feltwell, Aug. 18:

### Distinguished Graduates

Staff Sgt. Jeffrey R. Anderson Jr., 48th Communications Squadron

Senior Airman Joseph H.

Hefling, 48th Munitions Squadron

Senior Airman Jashon M. Ervin, 48th Component Maintenance Squadron

### Graduates

Senior Airman Aaron S. Bickel, 48th CMS

Senior Airman James Bradstreet, 48th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

Senior Airman Kevin K. Buehrer, 48th AMXS

Senior Airman Trevor E. Burton, 48th CS  
Senior Airman Sidney K. Chatman, 48th Dental Squadron

Senior Airman Brian W. Cooper, 48th AMXS

Senior Airman Christopher M.

Cunningham, 48th Operations Support Squadron

Senior Airman Tracy L. Davidson, 48th Medical Operations Squadron

Senior Airman Erik D. Drew, 48th CS

Senior Airman Archie Elliott

III, 48th Services Squadron

Senior Airman Joshua C.

Gorman, 48th Fighter Wing

Senior Airman Steven P.

Groff, 48th Security Forces Squadron

Senior Airman Heather L.

Gustafson, 48th SFS

Senior Airman David T. Hart, 48th

Logistics Readiness Squadron

Senior Airman Aaron

K. Hatfield, 48th LRS

Staff Sgt. Andrea T. Herron, 48th Aerospace Medicine Squadron

Staff Sgt. Jason R. Hill, 48th CS

Senior Airman Christopher P. Hoag, 48th

Civil Engineer Squadron

Senior Airman Robert Jaramillo, 48th

Aerospace Medicine Squadron

Senior Airman Reggie Jones, 48th LRS

Senior Airman Adrian M. Justice, 48th

### MUNS

Senior Airman Kris W. Kirckof, 48th CMS

Senior Airman Jeremy S. Maxon, 48th

Maintenance Operations Squadron

Senior Airman Jonathan L. Mickett, 48th

### CES

Senior Airman Micah B.D. Myers, 48th DS

Senior Airman Ross W. Ott, 48th CS

Staff Sgt. Joy W. Palmer, 48th LRS

Senior Airman Lakesha M. Powell, 48th

### CES

Senior Airman Andrew D. Reels III, 48th

### AMXS

Senior Airman Shalimar L. Rivers, 48th

### AMXS

Senior Airman Luis Rueda, 48th Equipment Maintenance Squadron

Senior Airman Kariena L. Sampson, 48th

### SVS

Senior Airman Ernesto Sandoval, 48th

### AMXS

Senior Airman Daniel P. Swanson, 48th

### MUNS

Senior Airman Alvin L. Taylor, 48th CS

Senior Airman Randal J. Vandemark, 48th

### CMS

Senior Airman Mark R. Vost Jr., 48th

### MUNS



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## RAFL airmen receive DUIs

A senior airman assigned to the 48th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron was apprehended for driving under the influence June 14 in South Pickenham. The airman's blood alcohol level is unknown. The airman was fined £325 and lost driving privileges for 18 months.

An airman first class assigned to the 48th Security Forces Squadron was apprehended for DUI July 16 on Milton Road, Cambridge. The airman's blood alcohol level was .126. The case is pending trial.

An airman first class from the 48th Operations Support Squadron was apprehended for DUI July 21 on Compeigne Way, Bury St. Edmunds. The airman's blood alcohol level was .137. The case is pending trial.

A senior airman assigned to the 48th Munitions Squadron was apprehended for DUI July 27 on County Road 11, S.D. The airman blood alcohol level is unknown. The case is still pending.

## Know your unit PRP monitor

This is the number one asked question during a Surety Inspection. Do you know yours?

The PRP monitors are:

- ☐ 48th Fighter Wing and 48th Mission Support Group – Staff Sgt. Leisha Tolerson, 226-9576
- ☐ 48th Civil Engineer Squadron– Staff Sgt. Robert Collier, 226-3108
- ☐ 48th Communications Squadron – Tech. Sgt. Daniel Baker, 226-1799
- ☐ 48th Security Forces – Tech. Sgt. Norm Engelsman, 226-1405
- ☐ 48th Operations Group and 48th Operations Support Squadron – Staff Sgt. Daniel Abel, 226-6122
- ☐ 492nd Fighter Squadron – Capt. Douglas Creviston, 226-4492
- ☐ 494th Fighter Squadron – Capt. David Willard, 226- 4494
- ☐ 48th Maintenance Group and 48th Munitions Squadron – Tech. Sgt. Steven Lazarus, 226-6569
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(Courtesy 48th FW Readiness office)

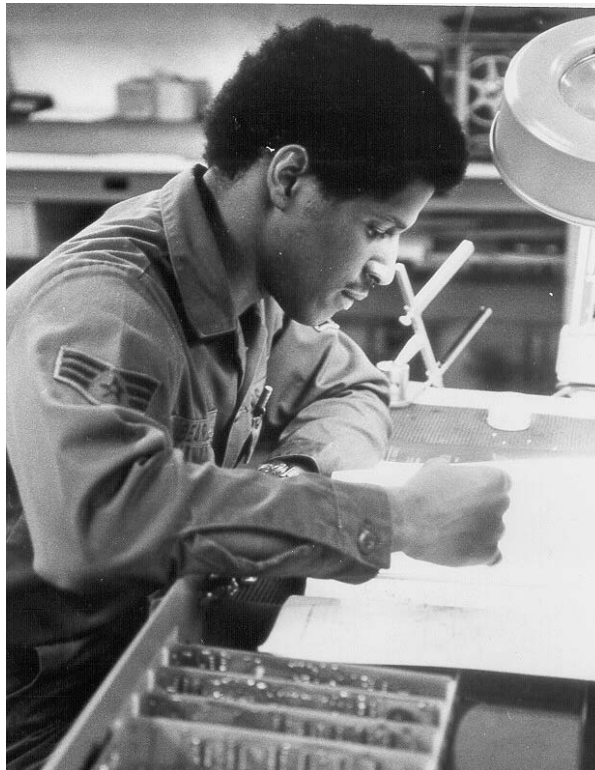


Photo courtesy of the 48th Fighter Wing History Office

### 50 years of news

On 29 May 1984, Headquarters USAFE issued a new mission statement for the 48th Tactical Fighter Wing: "To maintain a capability to destroy enemy forces and facilities through the delivery of all types of tactical weapons systems possessed in support of tactical aviation roles in counter air, air interdiction, and close air support.

## Commander spotlight

**Hometown:** Spencer, Mass.

**Time in Service:** 14 years

**Recent career history:** My last operational duty station was Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., as the senior maintenance officer for the B-2 bomber during combat operations in Kosovo. From there I attended Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell AFB, Ala., with a follow-on assignment to the Pentagon, where I was responsible for managing the \$20B logistics portfolio and budgeting for our future.

**Leadership philosophy:** Everything in life is a team sport. Try your hardest when nobody is looking; pass the praise when people are looking.

**Personal information:** I have an awesome wife and son.

**Short-term goals:** Increase the time all of us can spend with our families by recognizing efficiencies in existing procedures and maximizing teamwork. In other words, do things the best we can, in the most direct manner, with the least time spent on non-value added efforts.

**Hobbies:** I am an avid bow-hunter, outdoorsman, student and athlete ... but did I mention I have a 5-month-old son. For now my wife and I are focused on proper diaper changing techniques and perfecting the art of baby talk.

**How do you fulfill core values?** I had great parents. A long time ago, they taught me to work hard, be honest with others and myself and not do things if I'm not going to do them the best that I can. Add to that a Jesuit education and

a strong belief in serving others and I seem to have lucked into the AF core value program.

**What is the most exciting thing that has happened to you during your Air Force career?**

Assuming command of such an awesome group of folks and the awesome journey that is certainly going to come from that event (a firefight during Desert Storm and a plane crashing into the Pentagon rank a close second and third).

**Who is your favorite leader in history and why?** I'd have to say Abraham Lincoln, for his flexibility to change his own beliefs, his conviction to pursue truth and equality, his perseverance through unyielding hardships and his ultimate sacrifice for our country.

**What is your philosophy of life?**

"Life" is short and confusing and, I am not smart enough to spend time trying to figure it out – try hard to live "life" to the fullest and surround yourself with upbeat people who will remind you when you are wasting "life."



Lt. Col. Matthew Kmon  
48th Maintenance  
Operations Squadron  
commander



## Metallic name tag mandatory starting Jan. 1

SAN ANTONIO (AFPN) — Personnel officials announced in a recent message to the field that the new metallic name tag will be mandatory on the service dress uniform and pullover sweaters Jan. 1.

The items, which have been available for purchase since November, will be issued to enlisted airmen by their organizations, according to the message. Officers must purchase their own name tags.

For more information, contact your local commander's support staff.

TALLIL AIR BASE, Iraq — Senior Airman Kristofer Kline, 822nd Security Forces Squadron, focuses in on a target while standing atop his HUMVEE. Members of the 822nd SFS, supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom, are beginning to return home after serving more than five months here.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Robert Grande

# Airmen forging ties with Russians

STORY AND PHOTO BY  
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ZHUKOVSKY AIRFIELD, Russia (AFPN) — Since studying Russian culture during her college years in the early 1990s, Capt. Jessica Rhyne dreamed of seeing Russia and visiting Moscow.

Her dream came true Aug. 18. Not from a tour bus, but from the cockpit of her F-16 Fighting Falcon, flying high over the city and landing at this once secret air base just south of the capital.

Rhyne — a fighter pilot at Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany — along with more than 100 other servicemembers, represented the U.S. military in its first display of U.S. aircraft on Russian soil at the Moscow Aviation and Space Show here.

"It's incredible for me to be here right now," she said. "I've always wanted to participate in something like this. But to actually arrive here in an F-16 ... I never thought I'd see that day."

The U.S. military's presence at the

show demonstrates a closer military relationship with the once-long-time foe of the United States, according to participants.

"This is a very important opportunity to show the cooperation and the ever-developing ties between our two nations," said Maj. Gen. Edward LaFontaine, the director of logistics and security assistance for U.S. European Command. "The opportunity

to participate in this air show, from my perspective, is historic. It's symbolic of a closer relationship between Russia and the U.S. This is the way forward."

LaFontaine got a close-up look at Russian aircraft like the Su-27 and the MiG-29, two fighters parked opposite the American F-16 and an F-15E Strike Eagle

from the 494th Fighter Squadron.

"I continue to be amazed at the capability (the Russians) demonstrate," he said. "I've seen it before on film, but I've never seen it in person. This is very, very impressive."

Military contacts between the two countries in recent years have forged a special relationship at

a more personal level, said Maj. Kevin Thrash, the Russia desk officer at U.S. Air Forces in Europe's international relations branch.

In May, the deputy commander of the Russian air force, Gen. Lt. Alexander

**"The opportunity to participate in this air show, from my perspective, is historic. It's symbolic of a closer relationship between Russia and the U.S. This is the way forward."**

*Maj. Gen. Edward LaFontaine  
U.S. European Command, director of logistics and security assistance*



Maj. Robert Myers and Capt. Matt Worling, assigned to the 494th Fighter Squadron, are interviewed by Moscow RBC-TV in front of an F-15E Strike Eagle.

Nikolaevich Zelin, met with U.S. military officials in Germany. He saw some of the behind-the-scenes work at Ramstein and Spangdahlem air bases and flew in an F-15E.

When the U.S. aircraft landed here Aug. 18, Zelin was there to greet them.

"He came all the way from Moscow to meet us," Thrash said. "That shows you how important it was to him personally. That's a personal initiative that translates to strong relations with the Russian air force."

At the air show, which opened to the public Aug. 22, visitors were given a close-up look at aircraft designed to once do battle with this country's military. Sitting wingtip to wingtip among Russian aircraft are a B-52 Stratofortress, a KC-135 Stratotanker, a C-130 Hercules, an F-15E and an F-16.

# Red Flag boosts 492nd Fighter Squadron prowess

## TEST

STORY AND PHOTOS BY  
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48TH FIGHTER WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS



NELLIS AIR FORCE BASE, Nev. – The sound of jets blasted through the air as aircrew, maintainers and support personnel braved the August sun in the Nevada desert, with the mercury sometimes topping 110 degrees, during exercise Red Flag here. Red Flag is an exercise designed to train the combat force and improve the Air Force’s combat readiness.

More than 14 jets and 240 support personnel from the 492nd Fighter Squadron participated in the exercise

Aug. 15 through Sunday.

“This provides an opportunity for our youngest aircrews to participate in their first 10 combat sorties,” said Lt. Col. Jay Silveria, 492nd FS commander. “It is the first time that most of them will participate in a large force exercise against a coordinated air-defense system and against an air-to-air threat involving command and control.”

Throughout the exercise, aircrews are challenged daily with scenarios designed to force them to expand their knowledge of mission-planning practices, standard operating procedures, intelligence requirements and combat operations and integrations, according to Col. Joel Malone, 414th Combat Training Squadron Red Flag commander.

Red Flag started 28 years ago to provide realistic simulation and combat training for large composite force against realistic target arrays and threat aircraft.

“The intent is to allow aircrews to come together at one location to mission plan, brief, fly and debrief as a large composite force in order to maximize combat capabilities,” said Malone.

Along with members from the 492nd FS, units from Kadena Air Base, Japan; Ellsworth Air Force Base, S.D.; Misawa AB, Japan; and Aviano, AB, Italy, participated plus specialized weapons systems from AWACS combat search and rescue. In addition, coalition partners – including Britain, Singapore and Italy – also participated.

“The main purpose of Red Flag is to allow pilots to experience real mission combat days of a potential combat scenario. We also have maintainers and support personnel such as intel.

Situated in a sparsely populated desert area, Nellis AFB is considered the perfect spot to conduct the exercise. The location was selected for its vast airspace and target range complex just north of the base.

“We are fortunate to have, without question, the best target range north of Las Vegas,” said Silveria. “The target arrays and weather all contribute to allow our pilots the opportunity to maximize their training.”

Malone said he is impressed with the performance of the 492nd Wing and the unique capabilities that the F-15E brings to the exercise.

“The 492nd has been doing very well in their missions successful,” said Malone.

The wing should be very proud of the leadership of Lt. Col. Silveria in deploying the 492nd with other units to become a stronger Air Force team, he said.

Silveria applauded the Red Flag organization. “Nothing was a surprise to us when we received the materials ahead of time to study and prepare for,” Silveria.

The exercise also challenges the maintainers.

The expectation is that the more the jets fly, the more they will require. Therefore the maintenance team has to have the jets ready. They also work closely with the pilots to communicate on the performance of the jets.



F-15E Strike Eagles from the 492nd Fighter Squadron stand ready for action during the Red Flag Exercise at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.



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“The pilots debrief us on landing on the performance of the jet,” said Master Sgt. Aric Brown, 48th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, 492nd FS Aircraft Maintenance Unit production super. “If there is something that needs fixing, then we will troubleshoot the problem based on our TO (technical order) to find solutions and get the problem fixed as quickly as possible.”

“We have a good crew working on the jets. Even working here in the extreme heat, they’re always able to fix the jets quick enough to make them ready for the next go,” Brown said. “It’s been just a great team effort from everyone.”

Silveria said he is proud of the performance of the entire team.

“The first week has gone pretty well- better than expected,” he said.

Silveria explained that each day is an isolated war scenario. He emphasized the main purpose of the exercise is to provide training, and not solely how the game is played.

“I am focused on the learning. At the end of the two weeks I will measure our success based on whether everyone who participated – especially aircrews – is better trained and equipped than when we first started,” Silveria said.



(Above, left) Staff Sgt. Juan Manrique, 492nd Aircraft Maintenance Unit, helps keep the jets flying by performing maintenance on an F-15E during the Red Flag Exercise held at Nellis AFB, Nev. (Above) Airman 1st Class Jeremy Sharp, 492nd AMU, assists Capt. Mike Gette, 492nd FS pilot, and 1st Lt. Brendan O'Donnell, 492nd FS weapon systems operator, following a flight during Red Flag.





# L H S

## KICKS OFF 2003 FOOTBALL SEASON

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SENIOR AIRMAN LYNNE NEVEU  
48TH FIGHTER WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

More than 70 players gathered this week at the playing fields behind Lakenheath High School to push their minds and bodies to the limit. Conditioning for the LHS fall football season began Monday, in preparation for the season that begins Sept. 13 at Wiesbaden, Germany.

Players ran laps, performed flutter kicks, twisted through drills and did countless calisthenics.

Several returning seniors, including quarterback Justin King and runningback/linebacker James Judge, as well as offensive linemen Ryan Kradel, Nick Dybdahl and Matt Rabon, will lend their skill and experience to a large number of freshman who joined this year's team.

"We lost a lot of seniors from last year," said head coach Tom Wingert, "so our future is yet to be determined. We have a lot of good athletes out here and I expect to be competitive in the division (Division I) this year."

(Left) A Lakenheath High School football player drills during conditioning exercises Monday. (Top left) An LHS player listens to team expectations from head coach Tom Wingert.

## Lakenheath High School Fall Sports Schedule

### Football

Sept. 13 at Wiesbaden  
Sept. 20 home against Heidelberg  
Sept. 27 home against Kaiserslautern  
Oct. 4 at Ramstein  
Oct. 11 home against Wiesbaden (Homecoming)  
Oct. 18 at Wuerzburg  
Oct. 25 Div. 1 Semi-finals  
Nov. 1 Div. 1 Championship

Oct. 25 European championships

### Golf

Sept. 12 Local competition  
Sept. 25 and 26 home against Heidelberg, Baumholder, and K-Town  
Oct. 2 Div. 1 championships at Wuerzburg  
Oct. 8 to 9 European championships at Wiesbaden

International School and Kaiserslautern  
Oct. 30 to Nov. 1 European championships at Mannheim

### Tennis

Sept. 13 home against International School of Brussels  
Sept. 19 home against Bitburg  
Sept. 27 at SHAPE  
Oct. 4 home against Wiesbaden  
Oct. 10 home against Alconbury  
Oct. 11 at London Central  
Oct. 16 Div. 1 championships at Wiesbaden  
Oct. 24-25 European championships  
*Admission is charged for football and volleyball games. For more information, call 226-1542.*

### Cross Country

Sept. 13 home against all UK Schools  
Sept. 20 at Alconbury  
Sept. 27 at Menwith Hill  
Oct. 4 at Wiesbaden  
Oct. 11 London Central  
Oct. 18 Divisional championships

### Volleyball

Sept. 13 home against UK Schools  
Oct. 11 at London Central with Alconbury  
Oct. 18 home against SHAPE and UK schools  
Oct. 25 home against Frankfurt

## SPORTS SHORTS

### USAFE/CC run

A USAFE commander-sponsored run is scheduled for Sept. 20 at Brandon Forest, Gate 4. The 5K run starts at 10 a.m. and the 10K starts at 11 a.m. For more information, call the fitness center at 226-3607.

### Immunizations

The immunizations clinic at the base hospital is open 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and closed Tuesdays. Shot records are essential to ensure accurate vaccinations. For more

information, call the clinic at 226-8148.

### Tae Kwon Do

Anglia Tae Kwon Do offers classes Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the RAF Feltwell Community Center. The youth class is from 6 to 7 p.m. followed by the adult class from 7 to 8:15 p.m. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Wendy Paquet at 226-2330.

### In-line hockey

The Lakenheath In-Line Hockey Club is

in need of players, coaches and referees. Team groups are pee wee, ages 10 to 11 years; youth, ages 12 to 14 years; junior ages 15 to 17 years; senior, ages 18 to 29 years; and veterans ages 30 years and older. The age cut-off date for each season is Aug. 31. Practices start the first week of September and league play begins in October. For more information on youth teams, call Bonnie Marlar at (01842) 821771 or Chris Smith at (01842) 861942. For more information on senior and veterans teams, call Brian Beales at (01638) 510799.



# Leadership – develop your own style

BY LT. COL. JOE WARD AND 1ST LT. SHAYE BROTHERTON

48TH MISSION SUPPORT GROUP

We are nearing the end of yet another PCS season and a change in wing leadership composition. With newly selected supervisors, first sergeants and commanders throughout Team Liberty, the timing is ideal for a quick discussion on leadership style. There are many different styles of leadership. For those of you that find yourself in a leadership role for the first time, what is your style? What works best for you?

The most important thing to remember is to develop your own style – don't change the horse you rode in on. Don't try to copy the style of another leader – be yourself. You were chosen to lead based on your demonstrated past performance and your potential to serve in a leadership role. Finding yourself with a diamond on your sleeve or a commander's badge on your chest doesn't necessitate a change in the way you lead. In fact, being true to your own style is often the difference between success and failure. Furthermore, no single style works best in all situations. There is no one size that fits all. The truly great leaders understand flexibility is the key to air power; the same principle applies to leadership. The truly great leaders intuitively know not only when to gear up, but also know when to throttle back.

No matter what style of leader you are, all leaders have an opportunity to make an impact on those they lead. So who are our leaders? Leaders are not just those who happen to be wearing the commander's badge. Leadership begins in the work place at the shop level. In your sections, you will undoubtedly encounter top performers, and it is vital-

ly important to recognize their achievements. On the flip side, some will simply not measure up; that's where we need leaders to step forward and let those individuals know their behavior is not compatible with Air Force standards. The real challenge lies in leading the majority of our folks who lie somewhere in between. They are not our superstars, but they are doing a great job day in and day out. They are dedicated; they are committed; and they are helping get the mission done. These folks will follow your lead. If you instill high standards, they will meet or exceed them. If your expectations and examples are low, don't be surprised if that is the standard they meet. Set the bar high and let your folks show you what they can do.

It's equally important as a leader to continuously reset your bar. Leadership is a lifetime pursuit; the moment you rest on your laurels you stop growing, and your followers ultimately pay the price. There is an age-old argument whether leaders are born or made. And while it seems evident that some leaders are gifted with more chutzpah and pizzazz, nature's gifts will only take you so far. College basketball coach John Wooden once remarked, "It's what you learn after you know it all that counts." Continue to read, to learn, and to maintain that leadership flexibility we all know is key to your success.

In conclusion, don't be afraid to be yourself. Don't feel you have to change to fit some rubber-stamped and approved "leader image." Discover what works for you and take care of your troops. Expect big things from your troops. And, in turn, provide them with unimpeachable integrity, a clear sense of mission, and above all, strong leadership. Continue to develop your leadership skills. Try new ideas on for size. The rest will follow.

## Overcoming adversity to achieve goals

BY MAJ. JOHN GILLESPIE

48TH OPERATIONS SUPPORT SQUADRON

In 2002, the British Broadcasting Corporation ran a poll to identify the 100 greatest Britons of all time. Number 47 on the list was a man named Sir Douglas Bader, a highly decorated World War II Royal Air Force leader, tactician and fighter ace. What was remarkable enough about his achievements to put him in the top 100 of an era spanning almost 1,000 years is that he accomplished them without the aid of his legs.

The book, "Reach For the Sky," by Paul Brickhill, is all about the life of this amazing man. Born in London on Feb. 10, 1910, Douglas was the only child of Frederick and Jessie Bader. At age 4, Douglas saw his father off to France to fight in the Great War – never to return. This loss, and the challenges that followed, brought out a deep spirit of independence and a desire to prove himself in everything he did. At age 18, he was awarded a cadetship to RAF Cranwell and graduated with the rank of pilot officer. His athletic prowess and natural flying ability brought him to the forefront early.

Bader's world changed forever in December 1931 when he crashed the Bulldog fighter he was flying and both his legs had to be amputated. Months of painful therapy – as well as deep soul searching – followed, but

Bader emerged with a resolve to do whatever it took to take back control of his life. Fitted with two tin prosthetic legs, he laboriously taught himself to walk, unaided by canes. Then he went on to re-teach himself how to drive, golf, and even fly. Unfortunately, the RAF medical board refused to pass him as fit for flying; he was medically retired in 1933.

As World War II started, and war with Germany threatened, Bader was able to talk his way back into the Royal Air Force and back into the cockpit. As he regained proficiency as a pilot, he was made flight commander and was then given his own squadron of Hurricanes out of RAF Coltishall. Finally, he was given command of an entire wing at RAF Duxford. Bader racked up an impressive 23 kills before colliding with an ME-109 he was gunning over France and was forced to bail out. As he struggled to exit the aircraft, his right prosthetic leg tangled in the cockpit and was ripped off. This turned out to be a blessing since this leg didn't have a joint in the knee and would have certainly injured him badly on landing.

The Germans, assuming he had lost his real

leg, rushed him off to the nearest hospital. As the German doctor cut the pant leg away, he was amazed to find that it was previously amputated. Then, as they removed his trousers, revealing his other tin leg, the doctor smiled in discovery and said, "We have heard about you."

Bader's life is an inspiration to everyone who struggles with the problems and concerns of life. His example, and compassion for the tens of thousands of war amputees, as well as others, led to him being knighted by Queen Elizabeth in 1976.

If you read his biography, you will find that Sir Douglas Bader had imperfections, but he also believed deeply in helping others and lifting up those who are struggling. His philosophy on life was one of hope over fear. When the father of an 10-year-old amputee worriedly told Bader that his son just didn't realize yet how serious it was, Bader told him:

"That's the one thing he must never realize. You've got to make him feel this is another game he's got to learn, not something that will cripple him. Once you frighten him with it, he's beaten."

Great words from a great man. His spirit and determination should be an inspiration to us all.



Bader



# Discover Britain

Sal Davidson – Community Relations Adviser



## Time for tea - British style



Tea drinking in this country has an interesting history. At one time the smuggling of tea was more popular than the smuggling of spirits. One reason was that tea was more profitable to smuggle because it was lighter and easier to transport.

Tea had been smuggled into England ever since it first became popular, but smuggling was actually encouraged at the beginning of the 18th century because taxes had to be raised to pay for the War of the Spanish Succession. In fact, taxes were raised on other occasions to pay for wars such as in the 1750s to pay for the Seven Years' War between England and France.

Part of the success of smuggled tea was its quality – it was considered to be superior to the legitimately imported version. Officers who sailed on ships belonging to the East India Company were given a certain amount of free space on the ship with which to indulge in their own private trade. As space was limited, it was in the interests of the officers to transport only the best tea. They also avoided paying duty on this tea if they sold it to smugglers – the profit to be made on a ton of smuggled tea was equivalent to a year's wages.

### How did the tradition start?

It is believed the ritual of afternoon tea was started by the seventh Duchess of Bedford (1788-1861). Apparently, the duchess found the gap between the two main meals of the day – breakfast and dinner – too long and, even with a light luncheon in the middle of the day, was not sufficient to carry her through to dinner at eight. To solve her problem, she started to take tea with thinly sliced bread and butter in her boudoir at around four o'clock. This set a trend, and soon her friends joined her, and so afternoon tea moved out of the boudoir and into the drawing room.

In trying to out-do each other, the hostesses of the day added extras to the tea. The simple

bread and butter was soon replaced by sandwiches with exotic fillings, such as lobster and potted meats. At this time, scones, crumpets and cakes were also introduced. In addition to the food offered, hostesses became "China mad," using afternoon tea as an excuse for showing off their extravagant purchases of Chinese export porcelain and Dresden tea sets. A proper tea tray would boast a teapot and stand, teacups and saucers, sugar bowl, milk jug and slop bowl (for discarded tea and tea leaves). The tea table has changed little in 200 years, and today a pretty cloth and napkins, teaspoons, forks and a vase of flowers complete the requirements for afternoon tea.

It was at this time that the notion of tea and



Courtesy photos

aristocracy became so identified with each other. No well brought-up young Englishwoman could consider herself socially acceptable unless she knew how to brew a proper cup of tea.

A choice of Chinese or Indian teas was offered to guests – Earl Grey and Darjeeling are popular teatime blends. Alternatively, fruit teas are very popular now.

### Where to find afternoon tea

London

The Ritz, Piccadilly, Call (02074) 938181. Tea is served at 1:30, 3:30 and 5:30 p.m. daily.

This quintessentially Ritz experience means that booking at least six weeks in advance is necessary. This can be done via their Web site at [www.theritzhotel.co.uk](http://www.theritzhotel.co.uk). Served in the elegant Palm Court of this world-renowned hotel, music is provided by a resident harpist or pianist. Cost is £29.

Fortnum and Mason, 181 Piccadilly. Call (02077) 348040. Tea is served 3 to 5:30 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays.

Afternoon and high tea is served in the fourth floor St. James Restaurant and is accompanied by live music. Prices start at £18.50. Also, cream tea is served from 3 to 6 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays in the Fountain Restaurant.

Harrods, Knightsbridge. Call (02077) 301234. Tea is served from 3 to 5:15 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays. Tea is taken in the Georgian Restaurant on the 4th floor. This is the largest in-store restaurant in the world.

East Anglia

Tickle Manor Tea House, High Street, Lavenham. Call (01787) 248438. Cream teas available from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

Margaret's Tea Room at Chestnut Farmhouse, Baconsthorpe near Sheringham in Norfolk has just been awarded the "Top Tea Place" award. It will certainly be worth a trip to experience her cup of tea and home cooking. Call (01263) 577614 for more details.

### Dress for afternoon tea

If you decide to go to one of the venues in London, smart dress will be expected, and for the less formal local ones, Sunday dress would be appropriate.

NOTE: Cream teas are usually only scones, jam, cream and tea, whereas afternoon and "high" teas also include dainty sandwiches and cakes.

For a rather interesting Web site on tea and many facts and figures which surround it, visit [www.tea.co.uk](http://www.tea.co.uk)



For more information on living in Britain, look in the British community information public folder, or call Sal Davidson, community relations adviser, at 226-3145, or e-mail [sal.davidson@lakenheath.af.mil](mailto:sal.davidson@lakenheath.af.mil).





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# Practice bus safety

You knew it was coming – and now it's here. Time to go back to school. Before your child hits the road, brush up on what you need to know about school bus safety for your kids. Is your child going to be riding a bus to school this year? Are you worried about his or her safety on the bus? Although riding the school bus is a safe method of transportation, each year children can get hurt in school bus-related accidents. In order to ensure your child remains safe during the school commute, practice these basic safety rules with your child.

☐ Find a safe place for your child to wait for the bus. Don't play in or around the street, or on private property while waiting for the bus. Absolutely no pushing each other into the street.

☐ Don't approach the bus until the bus comes to a complete stop and the driver says it's okay for you to enter the bus.

☐ Use the handrails while getting on or off the bus.

☐ Stay in your seat while the bus is in motion.

☐ Use seat belts, if provided.

☐ Use a quiet voice to talk to your friends while on the bus, so you don't distract the driver.

☐ No heads, arms or legs sticking out of the windows.

☐ Don't talk to the bus driver while the bus is moving.

☐ Learn where the emergency exits are on the bus, and how to use them.

☐ When you get off the bus take at least 10 "giant" steps away from the side of the bus, so that the driver can see you after exiting the bus.

☐ Never walk directly behind a bus.

☐ Never walk directly in front of a bus, until the bus driver signals that they see you and it's okay for you to walk in front of them.

☐ If the driver is driving too fast or improperly, let your child know it's okay to tell you.

☐ Make sure all cars are stopped before crossing a driveway or the street. Look both ways before crossing a driveway or street.

Practice these with your child if he or she is unsure about any of these issues, and make sure that they understand these are nonnegotiable rules for bus-rider safety. Remember the schools have additional rules and regulations for bus riders, and some might require practice drills on bus safety – whether your child rides the bus regularly or not.

(Courtesy 48th Fighter Wing Safety office)

## LAKENHEATH COMPLEX CALENDAR – 2003/04

An events calendar is available on the  
Lakenheath First Look Web site at:  
<https://www.mil.lakenheath.af.mil/LibertyKids/Calendar/0304SYcal/0304SYcal.htm>  
or on the Internet at  
<http://www.lakenheath.af.mil/LibertyKids/Calendar/0304SYcal/0304SYcal.htm>

### September

- 1 Labor Day – Federal holiday
- 2 1st day of class
- 8 Lakenheath High School Open House
- 9 Lakenheath Intermediate School Open House –
- Feltwell Elementary School Open House
- 16 Lakenheath Elementary School Open House
- 18 Lakenheath Middle School Open House

### October

- 3 No School – Parent/Teacher conferences at LHS and LMS
- 13 Columbus Day – Federal holiday
- 30 End 1st Quarter
- 31 Teacher work day – no school for students

### November

- 3 Begin 2nd Quarter
- 5 No School – FES, LES and LIS Parent/Teacher conferences
- 5 Regular class schedule – LMS and LHS
- 6 No School – FES, LES and LIS Parent/Teacher conferences
- 6 Regular Class Schedule – LMS and LHS
- 7 No School – FES, LES and LIS Parent/Teacher conferences
- 7 No School – LMS / regular class schedule – LHS
- 11 Veteran's Day – Federal holiday
- 27 Thanksgiving Day – Federal holiday
- 28 Thanksgiving recess – no school

### December

- 22 Begin winter recess – no school
- 25 Christmas Day – Federal holiday

### January

- 1 New Year's Day – Federal holiday
- 5 End winter recess – classes resume

*Editor's note: The second semester calendar will be printed in a December Jet 48.*



## Briefs

### Bakery and deli closure

The RAF Lakenheath and RAF Mildenhall Commissaries close the deli and bakery section Aug. 31 to allow the Defense Commissary Agency Europe to transition from a contractor operation to an in-house operation. For more information, call the commissary at 226-3515.

### Post office closure

The RAF Lakenheath Post Office closes at 2 p.m. Sept. 5 for a squadron function. Normal hours will resume Sept. 6. Parcel mailing and stamp/money order purchases can still be accomplished at the RAF Mildenhall Post Office.

### Mandatory iD card requirements

The deadline for all eligible Department of Defense employees to obtain the new Common Access Card is Oct. 1. Information on CAC policy and eligibility is available at [www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/deers/](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/deers/). Individuals are advised to contact their respective personnel office or commander support staff to make arrangements to obtain the CAC. Eligible members assigned to RAF Lakenheath may also contact MPF customer service to schedule an appointment. For more information, call MPF customer service 226-2286.

### Military Leave Program

AFI 36-3003, Military Leave Program and AFPC Message 112030Z provide guidance on requesting Special Leave Accrual due to leave lost at fiscal year's end. Contact your commander support staff or MPF customer service. For more information, call MPF customer service at 226-5131 or visit <https://lww/48msg-mss/mpf/mpfmain>.

### TRICARE assistance

The 48th Medical Group TRICARE office offers a beneficiary counseling and assistance coordinator and debt collection assistance officer to assist with TRICARE claims and benefits. The BCAC serves as an advocate and problem-

solver. The DCAO is responsible for assisting in resolution of debt collection issues. For more information, call Angela Robinson at 226-8694.

### Commissary survey

The Defense Commissary Agency conducts a six-question, on-line survey through September for all authorized commissary shoppers. To access the survey, visit <http://catsurvey.shortssurveys.com>.

### Smoke detectors available

The furnishings management office offers smoke detectors for issue to all members residing in off-base accommodation. They are available at the FMO, Building 73, RAF Feltwell. Any resident without a current account must bring a copy of current orders and landlord tenant statement or house purchase agreement. For more information, call FMO at 226-7030.

### Holiday bazaar volunteers

Event officials need volunteers for the RAF Lakenheath Holiday Bazaar Sept. 26 through 28. Benefits include door prizes, early shopping passes and community service hours. For more information, e-mail [kim.sill@btinternet.com](mailto:kim.sill@btinternet.com) or [erica.solis@lakenheath.af.mil](mailto:erica.solis@lakenheath.af.mil).

### Holiday greetings

The Air Force Hometown News team will be at Liberty Circle Sept. 9 recording video segments of military members, Department of Defense civilians and their families for broadcast in their hometowns during the holiday season. To sign up for a greeting, call 226-2151.

## Events

### Annual home school picnic

All home schoolers are invited to celebrate the freedom to home school from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Freedom Park Tuesday, at the "Not the First Day of School Picnic." Bring a sack lunch, drinks and dessert. For more information call Cheryl at (01638) 669864.

### Used book sale and curriculum fair

The Suffolk Area Family Educators home school group holds a used book sale and curriculum fair from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday at Freedom Park, next to Taco Bell. For more information, call Trish at (01638) 533036.

## Classes

### Parenting teens class

Active Parenting of Teens takes place noon Wednesdays beginning Sept. 10 and runs through Oct. 8 at the RAF Lakenheath Youth Center. The class discusses ways to raise responsible young adults while reducing parents' stress about drugs, violence and lack of motivation. For more information, call family advocacy at 226-8070.

## MOVIES

### RAF Lakenheath 226-2139

#### Today

6:30 p.m., **S.W.A.T.**, PG-13, starring Samuel L. Jackson and LL Cool J. After weeks of rigorous physical training, the new team is quickly thrown into action when a notorious drug lord offers a \$100 million reward to anyone who can free him from police custody. While accompanying the drug lord out of Los Angeles into the hands of the Feds, the S.W.A.T. team is pursued by a ruthless and well-armed band of reward seekers.

10 p.m., **S.W.A.T.**, PG-13

#### Saturday

3:30 p.m., **Finding Nemo**, G, animated. Marlin and his son Nemo, who become separated in the Great Barrier Reef when Nemo is unexpectedly taken from home and thrust into a fish tank in a dentist's office. The overly cautious father embarks on a dangerous trek and finds himself the unlikely hero of an epic journey to rescue his son.

6:30 p.m., **S.W.A.T.**, PG-13

10 p.m., **2 Fast 2 Furious**, PG-13, starring Paul Walker and Tyrese Gibson. Former cop Brian O'Conner teams up with his ex-con pal Roman Pearce to transport a shipment of "dirty" money for shady Miami-based import-export dealer Carter Verone, while actually working with undercover agent Monica Clemente to bring Verone down.

#### Sunday

3:30 p.m., **Daddy Day Care**, PG,

starring Eddie Murphy and Steve Zahn. When a father loses his lucrative dotcom job, and finds himself in jeopardy of financial ruin, he joins his friends in opening a free-spirited guy-run business called Daddy Day Care, much to the chagrin of the owner of a more traditionally-operated rival center.

6:30 p.m., **S.W.A.T.**, PG-13

#### Monday

6:30 p.m., **X-Men 2**, PG-13, starring Patrick Stewart, Hugh Jackman and Halle Berry. The X-Men have opponents new and old to face this time around. Magneto is back, but there is also a threat to Professor Xavier's school for mutants led by a human named Stryker, not to mention a vicious woman named Yuriko who has it in for Wolverine.

#### Tuesday

6:30 p.m., **2 Fast 2 Furious**, PG-13

#### Wednesday

6:30 p.m., **2 Fast 2 Furious**, PG-13

#### Thursday

6:30 p.m., **S.W.A.T.**, PG-13

### RAF Mildenhall 238-2351

#### Today

6 p.m., **Hollywood Homicide**, PG-13, starring Harrison Ford and Josh Hartnett. When an entire hip-hop group is murdered on-stage, Los Angeles Police Department Homicide Detectives Gavilan and Calden are called in to handle the case. As their investigation progresses, they begin to suspect that the rappers were killed for attempting to get out of their recording contract with label head Sartain.

10 p.m., **Open Range**, R, starring Kevin Costner, Robert Duvall and Annette Bening. This film tells the story of four roaming cattle herders who team up to rid a burgeoning remote town, Harmonville, from the machinations of a ruthlessly evil rancher, Baxter, who forms a sort of outlaw state where he makes the laws and rules, and enforces them using scare tactics and brute force.

#### Saturday

3:30 p.m., **Rugrats Go Wild**, PG, animated. When the vacationing Rugrats and their parents get stranded on a deserted island, Tommy Pickles knows there's only one man who can help them: Nigel Thornberry. A bonk on the head has made Nigel seem more like a 3-year-old than a man. Luckily, the babies have Eliza on their side and with her ability to communicate with animals she can even talk to Spike.

6:30 p.m., **Open Range**, R

10 p.m., **Wrong Turn**, R, starring Eliza Dushku and Desmond Harrington. A turn down an uncharted dirt road leads six young people into a night of pure terror when they are hunted by cannibalistic mountain men. They find that they've fallen victim not to local pranksters, but a gang of inbred backwoods killers with a taste for blood.

#### Sunday

6:30 p.m., **10 p.m. Open Range**, R

#### Monday

6:30 p.m., **Hollywood Homicide**, PG-13

#### Tuesday

6:30 p.m., **Bruce Almighty**, PG-13, starring Jim Carrey and Morgan Freeman. At the end of the worst day in his life, Bruce angrily ridicules and rages against God - and God responds. He appears in human form and, endowing Bruce with all of His divine powers, challenges Bruce to take on the big job and see if he can do it any better.

#### Wednesday

6:30 p.m., **Open Range**, R

#### Thursday

6:30 p.m., **Open Range**, R